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Porter & Ingraham,

Have just received, and now re for ſale, at their ſtore on Fairfax-ſtr, between King and Prince ſtreets, eneral aſſortment of MERCHANSE, which they will diſpoſe of on v reaſonable terms, by wholeſale and etail, for Caſh, Tobacco Flour or Gin g;

Amongſt which are,

BROADCLOTHS, ſhalloons, calamancoes, tammies and durants,
Cardinals trimmed with ſnail and ermine,
Ruſſel and Calamanco petticoats,
Moreens, fuſtians and bed-ticks,
Nankeens, a beautiful aſſortment of calicoes,
Iriſh linens, brown ſheetings,
Mens' and womens' ſtrong and fine leather ſhoes,
Womens' coloured and laſting ditto,
A variety of check handkerchiefs,
Silk ditto,
Muſlin ditto,
Plain and figur lawns,
Kenting apro and handkerchie
Needle worke rons,
Gauze aprons handkerchiefs,
Fans,
Italian flowers nd feathers,
Ribbons and Urellas,
Mens' and wo ns' cotton and thre hoſe,
Mens' black white ſilk ditto,
Mens' and wo ns' beaver and kid oves,
Black ſilk mitt
Thread and ſe ng ſilk,
Writing-paper ills and wafers,
Playing Cards &c.

A large ASSORTMENT

HARDWARE,

HL from 6 to 12 inch hinges,
H from 3 to 10 inch ditto,
Butts,
Table, deſk and cheſt locks,
Cheſt double and ſingle ditto,
Deſk, till and cupboard ditto,
Wood ſcrews, gimlets and cloak-pins,
Screw rings and knobs,
Steel and iron plate handſaws,
Saſh and Dovetail ditto,
Raſps and files,
Chiſels, gouges and plain irons,
Knives and fks,
Cutteau and enknives,
Sciſſors,
Drawing kn es,
Pump and her hammers,
Calking iro
Marking ir s,
Braſs cocks
Pins and ne les,
Braſs, iron a jappanned candleſti s,
Cork ſcrew
Buckles,
Money ſca s,
Bridle bitt and ſtirrup irons,
4d. 6d. 8d and 20d. nails.

A few quarter caſks Madera and Sh ry Wines, Liverpool Salt, beſt Swediſh Iron in s, German Steel, Plough Shears, Roll Brimſtone, White Lead in kegs, Chocolate, Spermaceti Can es, Sewing Twine, Gunpowder, Hyſon, Souchon and Bohea Teas, &c. &c.

Alexandria, March 15, 1787.

To be SOLD,

Purſuant to a decree of the Honorable Court of Admiralty, at public auction, for ready-money, on Thurſday the 5th of April next, in the town of Alexandria,

ABOUT twenty thouſand pounds of BROWN SUGAR, and ten or twelve hundred pounds of COFFEE.

BEN. POWELL, Marſhal.

March 23, 1787.

FOR SALE VERY LOW,

A FEW barrels of BEEF, BUTTER in firkins, SHOE HEELS by the groſs, BACON, VENISON HAMS and CODFISH.

JOHN HICKMAN and CO.

Alexandria, March 29, 1787.

FOR SALE,

A GENTEEL ſecond hand SULKEY, and harneſs complete.—Inquire of the Printers.

Alexandria, March 29, 1787.

List of letters remaining in the Poſt-Office at Alexandria, which will be ſent to the General Poſt-Office, if not taken up before the 12th of April.

A.

GEORGE ANDERSON.

B.

William Buſhby, William Bryſon, Joſeph N. Baynes, Piſcataway; Matthew Blair, Port-Tobacco; Capt. Wilſon Bouſh, Thomas Baker, Capt. Peter Brown of the brig Betſy, Quantico; John Bryce, John Bronaugh, Mrs. Bray, Meſſieurs Brown and Co.

C.

Overton Carr, Capt. William Cox, Benjamin Comſtock, Major William Cocke, Charles Carroll, Michael Clark, Patrick Carroll, Martin Cockburn.

D.

James Donaldſon, George Deoſiaus, Thomas Dick.

E.

Abraham Evans, Joſiah Emmit.

F.

Mr. Fenner, James Froud, Executors of Daniel French, John Fouſhee, Matthew Fitzgibbon, Cumberland Ferguſon, Zephaniah Ferrell, Bradley Featherſtone, Thomas Fitzpatrick.

G.

Job Green, Thomas Glover, Michael Gretter, Henry Gardner, James Gonſon.

H.

Dolly Hill, John Hague, Dennis Hollihan.

I.

Capt. Gilbert Imley, Mrs. Johnſon, Mr. Jolly, Doctor Robert Irvine.

K.

James Keith, Mrs. Kirk.

L.

Henry Leigh, Mrs. Liſle, George Levely, Le Mayeure.

M.

Thomas M'Nabb, John M'Kain, James Mookler.

N.

Robert Neal, Arabella Naſh.

P.

David Pyle, Mount-Salus; Elizabeth Price, Capt. Pitts, Robert Price, Capt. Thomas Pearſon.

R.

Edmund Roberts, Adam Rice, William Richards of the Kitty.

S.

Chriſtiana Smith Widow of Roberth Smith, Schoffield and Thornby, Joſeph Smith, Capt. John Smithſon, Capt. Edward Sweeney.

T.

Ludwig Triſler, Thomas Thomſon, Henry Tail, George Triplet.

W.

James Welſh, care of Mr. M'Knight. Robert Whitacre, William Willox, Ralph Wormley, jun. Mount-Airy; Thomas Wilkinſon, Tobias Wolf.

Alexandria, March 29, 1787.

To the *PUBLIC.*

THE Subſcriber begs leave to inform the public, that he has been bred to the Conveyancing and Scrivening buſineſs, and will draw at the ſhorteſt notice, with accuracy, ſecrecy and deſpatch, *Deeds*, *Mortgages*, *Bonds* of arbitration, indemnity and covenantal, *Wills*, *Codicils* *Letters* of attorney, *Charter parties*, *Bills* of bottomry and of ſale, *Agreements* of all kinds, *Bills* and *Anſwers* in *Chancery*, and makes out copies of all papers delivered into his hands for that purpoſe.

Thoſe gentlemen who are pleaſed to favor him with their countenance, he aſſures ſhall never have reaſon to complain, as he is determined to pay the ſtricteſt attention to ſuch buſineſs as may be entruſted to his care. Any application at Mr. Alexander Smith's, ſign of Gen. Waſhington, will be immediate attended to. WILLIAM J. VEREKER.

Alexandria, March 15, 1787.

TO BE RENTED,

THE HOUSE commonly called the GEORGE TAVERN; its ſituation and conveniencies are equal to any in town, being near the Court and Market Houſes.

Alſo, to be ſold in fee-ſimple or on ground-rent, LOTS on ſeveral ſtreets.——For terms apply to

DENNIS RAMSAY.

Alexandria, March 8, 1787.

☞ A great Variety of BLANKS, printed on good Paper, may be had at the Printing-Office.

Groceries &c.

For ſale on the loweſt terms for caſh or produce, by

John Murray and Co.

By wholeſale and retail, at their ſtore on Prince-ſtreet, the following articles, viz.

OLD Grenada ſpirit,
Weſt-India rum,
Country ditto,
Brandy,
Arrack,
Madera,
Port,
Malaga,
Teneriff,
Fayal,
Liſbon, } Wines.
Bohea and green teas,
Loaf and muſcovado ſugars,
Coffee,
Chocolate,
Raiſins and indigo,
Salt,
Ginger, nutmegs and pepper,
Soal leather,
Vinegar,
Geneva,
Pickled lobſters,
Mackerel and odfiſh,
Dry codfiſh,
Spermaceti an liver oil,
Seal blubber,
Whalebone and ſoap,
Mens' and womens large and ſtrong leather ſhoes,
Double and ſingle Glouceſter and Rhode-Iſland cheeſe,
London porter,
4d. 6d. 8d. and 10d. nails,
White and yellow paint,
10 by 8 window-glaſs,
Butter in firkins,
Cotton,
Pewter plates, diſhes and ſpoons,
Molaſſes,
Engliſh canvas, No. 1, and 3.

Alſo, a ſmall aſſortment of DRY GOODS, and a two-ſtory HOUSE FRAME of 22 feet by 28.—— Several RIDING CHAIRS with harneſs complete and well finiſhed.

LOTS on Duke, Fairfax, Pitt, and Water ſtreets, to be let on ground-rent or ſold in fee-ſimple.

Alexandria, Jan. 4, 1787.

THE Subſcriber intends for Europe for a ſhort time.——Thoſe to whom he ſtands indebted are deſired to bring in their accounts.

THOMAS O'RYAN.

Alexandria, March 29, 1787.

To be leaſed for a term of years or lives, or in fee-ſimple,

EIGHTEEN LOTS or tenements of LAND, each containing two acres, ſituate within a mile from the town of Alexandria, and ſome of them on the main road leading to Richmond and Wincheſter.—A fine never-failing ſtream of water runs along ſeveral of the lots, and the ſoil is well adapted to the various productions of a garden. —Theſe lots are alſo well ſuited to many kinds of mechanics and tradeſmen who cannot bear with the higher rents of town property.—As it is intended to diſpoſe of them upon eaſy terms, ſome ſecurity will be required for the faithful performance of covenants for the ſpace of the three firſt years.—— Apply to the Subſcriber at Alexandria, or to Mr. CHARLES LEE.

PHILIP RICHARD FENDALL.

Alexandria, March 1, 1787.

Ten Dollars Reward,

STOLEN from the Subſcriber, living in Maryland, Prince George's County, near the Woodyard, a light bay MARE, ſeven years old this ſpring, branded on the near ſhoulder and thigh, thus S, and has a remarkable black ſpot on the near ſide of her neck; ſhe is a breeding mare and I expect with foal; ſhe never was docked and is about thirteen hands and an inch high, and was ſtolen on the 18th of Auguſt, 1786. Whoever delivers me the ſaid mare, or gives information ſo that I may get her again, ſhall receive the above reward, and reaſonable charges if brought home, paid by me

BAPTIST HARDEY.

March 8, 1787.

COFFEE-HOUSE.

NICHOLAS HANNAH informs the gentlemen, merchants and traders, that he has opened a COFFEE-HOUSE in the firſt three-ſtory houſe on Fairfax-ſtreet, between King and Prince ſtreets, with boxes and apartments; and promiſes good entertainment, to thoſe who favor him with their cuſtom, and makes no doubt of pleaſing thoſe call on him with every article expected at a House, and will alſo take in private boarde on moſt reaſonable terms.

Alexandria, Dec. 28, 1786.

BUDIBRAS, was buried in St. Paul's church, Covent Garden. Some of the inhabitants of that parish hearing some time ago that so famous a man had been buried in their church, and regretting that neither stone or inscription recorded the event, entered into and collected a subscription for the purpose of erecting something worthy of Butler's memory. Accordingly they employed an artist, who constructed an elegant monument and lately fitted it up in the portico of the church, bearing a medallion of that great man, which was taken from the monument put up by Barber, the Mayor of London, in Westminster Abbey. The following lines were contributed on the occasion at the request of the subscribers, inhabitants of the parish, by Mr. O'Brien, and are engraven on the stone beneath the medallion:

A few plain men, to pomp and pride unknown,
O'er a poor bard have rais'd this humble stone;
Whose wants alone his genius could surpass,
Victim of zeal! the matchless Hudibras!

What, though fair freedom suffered in his page,
Reader, forgive the author—for the age;
How few, alas! disdain to cringe and cant,
When 'tis the mode to play the sycophant!

But lo! let all be taught from Butler's fate,
Who hope to make their fortunes by the great;
That wit and pride are always dang'rous things,
And little faith is due to Courts and Kings.

—BUTLER's MONUMENT.—

The honor paid to Butler's *memory*, by the monument erected in Covent-Garden church, will make the revival of Mr. Samuel Westley's lines, written above fifty years since, acceptable; as they were produced in consequence of the monument erected to that author in Westminster Abbey, by Mr. Barber of the city of London:

Whilst *Butler*, needy wretch, was yet alive,
No generous patron wou'd a dinner give:
See him when starv'd to death, and turn'd to dust,
Presented with a *monumental Bust*,
The poet's fate is here in emblem shewn—
He ask'd for *bread*, and he receiv'd a *stone!*

NEW-YORK, March 26.

A letter from Demarara, dated January 28, 1787, received by a gentleman at Providence, Rhode-Island, has the following paragraph:

"A ship is just arrived from Holland, with orders from the States of Holland and the West-India company, to fit out small vessels to guard the coast, and she lays in the mouth of the river, to search vessels—and any one that has to the amount of 100 guilders in coffee, cotton and sugar, the goods are condemned, and 300 guilders fine upon each hogshead or bag——so that these new laws stop the collection of all kinds of produce except rum, and that is very scarce.

"I do not expect to sail until the last of February except something new turns up in favor of the Americans, which is daily expected. The Governor and leading men are planters, and cannot long subsist without the American supplies."

By a letter from a gentleman at St. Eustatia, who sailed from Portsmouth, New-Hampshire, in the schooner ———, with an intention of visiting Turk's-Island, for a load of salt, we are informed, that our good friends, the British, out of pure kindness to the States, make a constant practice of burning and destroying every American vessel they can discover among those islands. Thus, while their ships are receiving every protection and encouragement in American ports—while their flag is triumphantly displayed in our harbours—while they come and go as they please—American vessels are seized, burnt and destroyed, if within gun-shot of their harbours—the flag of the States treated with contempt, and the common acts of humanity denied to its citizens. Are these facts, Americans?—If these are—how long are you tamely to sit and see your commerce ruined, your flag insulted, and not rise to do yourselves justice?

Extract of a letter from an eminent character residing in Europe, to his friend in America.

"Different nations have different modes of raising money for the public expenditure, which is usually done according to the genius of the people, and the form of their government.——Most of those in Europe have occasionally been driven to the use of paper money, or making public securities serve the purposes of a medium in trade, and the English have gone more extensively into this expedient than other nations; but I believe none have ever made use of it with less inconvenience or given their creditors less cause of complaint than the States of America have done heretofore.—But when almost every public department among you is filled, as I am informed, with men of rapacious principles, who sacrifice the Commonwealth to their private emolument, who encourage gambling, voluptiousness and every vice, what good can be expected from the wisest institutions! I wish these good gentlemen whom you mention, would exert themselves in their several professions to stop their growing enormities which are the source of all the calamities of the country, and which sooner or later if not stopped, must end in its destruction."

Greenville, in the county of Hampshire, State of Massachusetts, March 6, 1787.

"On Friday last an ewe, belonging to Mr. John Cowles, of this town, brought forth a lamb, and a puppy in perfect shape of a young dog, except his feet which were cloven, though of an extraordinary thing it measured from the end of its nose to the serve th its back two feet; its legs were in proportion; Alexa vered with very short sleek hair."

[illegible] in public assembled on the 19th ult. in a chamber of the house of Mr. James Dyer, of Portsmouth, Rhode-Island, and while one of the scholars was declaiming on the value and shortness of time, the floor gave way, and they fell into the room below; the floor of which also falling, they all continued to descend till they reached the bottom of the cellar. Though about one half of them were wounded, yet, very providentially, not one life was lost nor a bone broke.

There is a singular instance of longevity exhibited in Montgomery county, in this state. One William Coppernal, being now living there, who was born in the year 1677, and is now 109 years old. This old man has lived to see seven sovereigns weild the British scepter; and in the evening of life has the happiness to see liberty dawning in the West, under the auspices of a new and rising empire established in those wilds, and on those shores, of which but a short time since the Eastern world was possessed of a knowledge.

RICHMOND, March 15.

Extract of a letter from Kentucky, dated February 18, 1787.

"The Delegates from the Assembly are returned, by whom we are informed, that an election of a new convention is ordered to take place; in consequence of which the convention, that met in January, broke up without doing any business.

"The reports which have circulated to the prejudice of General Clark are supposed to have originated through some envious, malicious letters from this country, which, on a strict inquiry, will be found groundless.

"The Lincoln militia, in hopes of retrieving their character, lately marched from this for the Chickamawgua Indian towns, forty miles from which they fell in with 15 Indians, 8 of whom were killed, the others escaped, and the party returned.

"About the 20th of January, a party of Indians killed a man near Clarksville; Mr. Van Metter and Son, at Sovern's-Valley; Mr. Moore, about 10 miles from Lincoln court-house, and routed a surveying party from Sandy Creek, one of whom is missing.

"A number of Indians have just crossed into Jefferson county, from whence we daily expect to receive accounts of many of the inhabitants being killed.—The Indians have been very troublesome for some time past."

ALEXANDRIA, April 5.

The Conduct of General Lincoln (says a late Massachusetts Paper) is highly applauded, and not without Justice, by People of all Classes, even by those who were disaffected to govermental Measures.

The Federal Arsenal at Springfield, Massachusetts, is now guarded by a Detachment of 150 Men from Connecticut, Part of Colonel Humphreys's Regiment, lately raised by Order of the United States in Congress assembled.

Arrivals. Sloop Providence, Moran, from Rhode-Island; Sloop Dolphin, Maxville, Hispaniola; Ship Sally, Wallace, Patuxent.

Sailed. Sloop Surprize, Bartlett, for Boston.

For the VIRGINIA JOURNAL, &c.

Non tua resagitur paries cum proximus ardet.

ALTHOUGH not an inhabitant of Maryland, my duty leads me to wish peace, order, and prosperity to a neighbouring State.

It being my lot to live retired, at a distance from post roads, it is but lately that I had an opportunity of perusing the message of the Senate, the address of the Delegates, that of Publicola, of J. B. F. and an extract of a letter from Annapolis of the 20th of February; and as I have not the honor of being personally acquainted with one of the Senate, and few of the House of Delegates, and am a stranger to the names of the gentlemen who write, the following cursory remarks cannot be imputed to party or prejudice.

It is the universal opinion of those that I have converfed with, that the message of the Senate is founded on reason, justice, and experience; that it is conceived in decent manly terms, and delivered with circumspection and modesty: That it does honor to that respectable body who firmly stand the established bulwark of the interest and dignity of their country.

If there was no grumbling, or murmuring among the people before—the address of the majority of the House of Delegates, is calculated to stir it up and to induce a delay of the payment of taxes.

They do not ascribe the difficulties, which they say embarrasses them to the right cause: They never once mention dissipation or extravagance; perhaps that would have come home to themselves, and they propose an artificial money, instead of industry and frugality, to alleviate their distresses: But the affair of a paper currency has been handled in the most masterly manner, and the subject so totally exhausted within these twelve months, that every person of common sense sees it inconsistent with the interest of an independent commercial State.

They mention eight hundred executions, issued at one court against State debtors, for interest:—

A valid reason against lending money to certain persons,—and an unanswerable argument against a paper emission on loan.

The money proposed to have been emitted, would probably have created eight thousand more State debtors, and it is possible, that out of the eight thousand and eight hundred a majority of the next House of Delegates would have been elected, and were it not for the firmness of the Senate, we have reason to expect what would happen from what has been lately attempted on a bill for the relief of debtors.

Publicola, the signature of Factiocola is perhaps as applicable, goes on with the rapidity of a comet, [illegible] hot, and [illegible] attacking heaven and earth, that is going from tinker and cobler to Jupiter and his son, to give people an unfavorable impression of the Senate burthen of the fiery declamation rests on the single question; is it not oppression to demand more gold and silver of the people in taxes, than they able to pay? That there is more demanded than they are able to pay, I have reason to call in question; but if the people are taxed unreasonably high did not these taxes originate in the House of Delegates? The bill was framed there and the House passed the bill, so if oppression exists, it must have originated in the House of Delegates; if the Senate denied their concurrence to such bills, it is possible the House of Delegates would have been as clamorous as on a late occasion.

When Publicola meets with stubborn facts in the message that he cannot easily get over—he exclaims, modest indeed! modest again! A very particular way of conducting arguments! They who read his performance will discover very little of that amiable virtue in

Publicola declares, that the affairs of the State are in a critical and desperate situation:—It gives me pleasure to find the assertion ill founded. The gentleman possibly blinded by prosperity, or by something more dangerous to the public.

If the people of Maryland are so happy as to see the passage of the House of Delegates subside, before next meeting, and banishing the idea of destructive paper, raise the duties on salt and rum, equal to the duties on those articles in Virginia; and in imitation of that State, tax their Naval-Officers, clerks, gentlemen of the bar, physick and retailers, with some other things which may readily occur to them; in a short time a great part of the sum will be raised which Mr. Johnston wants to lessen or annihilate what he calls the founding debt.

At the same time it would be advisable to retrench all unnecessary expence, public and private, as much can be done easily at one time, and establish a wise economy in the administration of the revenue.

In the same time, it will contribute greatly to the satisfaction of the people, to see a clear and distinct state of the public accounts; to be informed how the public money is applied, and to see the rich and ostentatious compelled to pay their taxes. The body of the people would then cheerfully exert themselves to comply with the laws.—When left to themselves, they are generally in the right, but when misled and inflamed by a designing incendiary, it is no more the voice of the people.

As to the folio extract of February 20th, from Annapolis, I could be glad to know how many volumes there are of that letter; the extract was very long—peopled with malevolence, fraught with details of small matters, and full of personal reflections—Upon the whole, it is as disgusting to a delicate palate as a extract of wormwood and gall.

J. B. F. of Arundel, seems to be a gentleman of moderation and knows how business of that sort is done—I have known petitions procured and formed in the same manner he describes: And history informs us, that Critolaus, the red hot demagogue of the people took the same method to prevent the meeting of the Achæans to give Metellus an answer, which proved the immediate ruin of the Achæan league, and brought on the sudden destruction of the rich and flourishing city of Corinth.

I understand that the Assembly is to meet in a short time; that they may be inspired with wisdom to pursue such measures as are best calculated to promote the peace and happiness of the State, is the hearty wish of a

PHILANTHROPIC SPECTATOR.

Virginia, March 5th, 1787.

NOTICE to NAVAL-OFFICERS *and* INSPECTORS.

An act of May Session, 1783, entitled, "an act to amend and reduce the several acts of Assembly for the inspection of tobacco into one act."

SECT. 4th. *AND be it further enacted*, That every master of a ship or vessel, wherein tobacco shall be laden, shall, at the time of clearing, deliver to the Naval-Officer a fair manifest of all the tobacco on board his ship or vessel, expressing the marks and numbers of every hogshead or cask, and the tare and net weight stamped thereon, the person by whom shipped and from what warehouse, and shall make oath thereto, and that the same is a just and true account of the marks, numbers, tare and net weight of each respective hogshead or cask as the same was taken down by the person or persons appointed by him to take the same, before the said tobacco was stowed away: And no ship or vessel shall be cleared by the Naval-Officer before he shall have received such list and manifest which shall by the said Naval-Officer be transmitted to the Treasurer of this Commonwealth for the time being."

SECT. 25th. "*Be it further enacted*, That the several inspectors of tobacco in this State shall annually, at the time of settling their accounts with the Treasurer, deliver to him an account upon oath of all the tobacco shipped from their respective warehouses within the year preceding, containing the number of hogsheads or casks sent on board each ship or vessel respectively. And every inspector failing herein shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty pounds: And that the several Naval-Officers shall, on or before the 25th day of October annually, return to the said Treasurer an account, upon oath of all the tobacco on board each ship or vessel which shall have been cleared out in such Naval-Officer's district in the preceding year, according to the manifests thereof delivered by the master of such ship or vessel at the time of clearing—distinguishing the number of hogs-

each respective warehouse; and every Naval-Officer failing herein shall forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred pounds for every failure."

Those concerned will be pleased to pay due attention to the above; a punctual compliance therewith being expected.

J. AMBLER.

Treasury-Office, March 15, 1787.

Public Vendue.

On Saturday next will be sold at the Vendue-Store, opposite Col. Hooe's dwelling-house,

A Variety of Merchandise as usual.

P. MARSTELLER, Vendue-Master.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

AGREEABLE to the late law, appointing Commissioners in towns, the Commissioner is to call on each person for an account of his taxable property, but if it appears the persons at whose house he calls has not absented themselves in order to avoid making their returns, the Commissioner is to appoint the time and place where he will receive their returns.——I do therefore request all those at whose houses I have called for the above purposes to make their returns to me at my counting-room at three o'clock, P. M. on the two following Saturdays, where I shall wait to receive them; and as there are a number of proprietors of lots and houses (in town) who reside in the country, I must likewise request their furnishing me with a list of their rents which will prevent a great deal of unnecessary trouble and enable me to make a more accurate return than I can otherwise do: It may not be unnecessary to observe that it is the duty of every person to make report of all concealed tithables, which may come within their knowledge.

JAMES HENDRICKS.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

William Haycock,

Tallow-Chandler and Soap-Boiler,

BEGS leave to inform his customers and the public in general, that he has removed from the house, where he formerly lived to his own house opposite to the dwelling-house of Col. Ramsay, where they may be supplied on the shortest notice with any thing in his way.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

N. B. He gives ready-money for tallow, tow or cotton candlewick.

RAN AWAY on the 9th of March, from on board the Subscriber's vessel, lying at Col. Ramsay's wharf, two Negro men, slaves, by the names of JACK and JACOB, one of them a black fellow about thirty years of age, and had on a blue sailor's jacket, black waistcoat, tarry trousers, and bound hat. The other a yellow fellow, about sixteen years of age, has a down look, and had on a red twilled jacket and trousers, and a bound hat. They have been seen in town since their elopement, and I have reason to believe that they are concealed by other Negroes in town. Any person delivering the said negroe, to the Subscriber, or William Allison, or secures them so that I get them again, shall receive Thirty shillings for each, and reasonable charges. GEORGE SLACUM.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

Notice is hereby given,

THAT there is an Association of the Retailers of Goods, who will take notice of all persons retailing of goods in the town of Alexandria or in the County of Fairfax without licence, and of all masters of vessels or others, who may retail goods on board of vessels contrary to law.

☞ The Retailers of Goods in the town of Alexandria, are requested to meet at Mr. HANNAH's Coffee-House, on Saturday next, at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

To be Rented,

THE STORE, counting-room and cellar now occupied by Mr. WILLIAM MOUNSHER, in King-street, and a two story framed HOUSE on Royal-street below Mr. William Hunter, senior's house.—Immediate possession will be given.—For further particulars apply to

JOHN REYNOLDS.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

To be Rented,

And immediate possession given,

THE HOUSE and BAKE-OVEN where Henry Gardner lately lived, on Capt. Robert Adam's wharf.—For particulars apply to

JOHN REYNOLDS, or
ALEXANDER SMITH.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

William H. Powell and Company,

Acquaint their friends and the public that they have removed their store to the three story brick house, on Fairfax-street, next door to Messrs. Robinson, Sanderson and Rumney, where they have for sale, by wholesale and retail, an assortment of GOODS suitable for the season, viz.

SUPERFINE and second broadcloths,
Irish sheetings,
Ditto linens,
A large quantity of jeans, jeanets, fustians, &c.
An elegant assortment of calicoes,
Thread hose,
Hats,
Mens' and womens' saddles, in small packages,
London porter in bottles,
Excellent ale in ditto,
Hard, queens' and wooden ware, &c. &c. &c.

☞ They request all persons indebted to them to make speedy payment, as they are very anxious to have the business of the preceding year finally settled.—Those who are unable to comply with the above request, will please give their notes for their respective balances.—Any application for credit hereafter will be unnecessary, as they are determined to sell the GOODS on hand at a low price for present pay only.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

D. and I. M'Pherson,

Have for SALE,

FRESH lemons by the box,
Old Malaga wine in quarter casks,
Almonds, Filberts, Figs, } by the cask,
Raisins in jars and casks.

ALSO, A few fishing SEINES of different sizes, all of which they will sell on moderate terms for Cash or Produce.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

Perrin and Brothers,

Have for sale at their store, next to Mr. Wise's Tavern; by wholesale and retail, for Cash, Tobacco or flour,

A Beautiful assortment of French calicoes and chintzes, silk lustrings, taffeta, black and white mode, florentine, grogram, silk stockings, ribbons and taste well assorted in colours, umbrellas, ladies' gloves, hair powder and pomatum, with some elegant JEWELRY, consisting of ladies' shoe buckles, gentlemens' knee ditto, lockets, bracelets, and many other trinkets.

They have also for SALE,

Black prunella by the piece, claret and Muscat wine of the best quality in bottles, with several other articles too tedious to mention.

Alexandria, April 2, 1787.

By the PRESIDENT and DIRECTORS of the POTOMACK COMPANY.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in pursuance of the power and authority vested in them, by the act for opening and extending the navigation of Potomack river, FORTY-SIX SHARES in the said Company, will be sold at auction at the Court-House in Alexandria, in the State of Virginia, on Monday the 14th of May next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon; and NINE SHARES in the said Company, will be sold at Shuter's Tavern in George-Town, in the State of Maryland, on Monday the 21st day of May next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon; they being the shares of such of the proprietors as are delinquents in making the first and second payments on their respective shares, which have been heretofore called for by the Board.

By order of the Board,
JOHN POTTS, jun. Secretary.

April 3, 1787.

To be Rented,

And possession given immediately,

A COMMODIOUS two story HOUSE, with a garden, a well of excellent water in the yard, a large stable, &c.—This house is supposed to be the best stand for a tavern in this town and has for many years been kept as such.——Also to be rented the STORE-HOUSES at present occupied by the Subscriber.—Possession will be given by the 15th of May next.——For terms apply to Mr. JAMES SMITH at Frederick-Town, or to

ANTHONY REINTZEL.

George-Town, April 2, 1787.

TAKEN by the Subscriber as stolen goods, five yards and a half of ribbed jeanet, two yards of black broadcloth, and three silver tea spoons. The owners by proving property and paying charges, may have them again.

JACOB MOORE, Constable.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

For PHILADELPHIA or NEW-YORK;

The SLOOP

Despatch,

SAMUEL TABOR, Master,

NOW lying at Col. LYLES wharf, and will take in freight for either of the above ports. For terms apply to the Master on board.

Alexandria, April 4, 1787.

CHATHAM,

WILL stand this season at Mount-Asaph, in Charles county, about six miles below Piscataway, and about ten above Port-Tobacco, and cover at three guineas, but if the money be sent with the mares, or if paid by the first day of August next, he will cover at three pounds fifteen shillings, and two and six-pence to the groom.

CHATHAM was got by Mr. Fitzhugh's Regulus, who was got by Fearnought, who was got by Martindale's Regulus, who was got by the Godolphin Arabian. Chatham's dam was Mr. Brent's Ebony, who was out of Selima, got by Col. Tasker's Othello. Selima was got by the Godolphin Arabian. Jenny Dismal is the dam of Regulus; Jenny Dismal was got by old Dismal, who won a thousand guineas sweep-stake, and five king's plates without being once beaten. Jenny Dismal's dam was got by Lord Godolphin's Whitefoot, her sire by the Godolphin Arabian.

Good pasturage at two shillings and six-pence per week, but I will not be answerable for escapes or accidents.

T. HANSON.

April 5, 1787.

Valuable Slaves *FOR SALE.*

THE Executors having been disappointed in the sale of the slaves, belonging to the estate of Mr. FRANCIS JETT, of Westmoreland, at Mattox-Bridge, on the 15th of February, as before advertised, give notice, that fifteen or twenty Valuable Slaves will be offered for sale at Mattox, on Monday the 30th inst. if fair, if not the next fair day; among whom are, several good house-carpenters.—Six months credit, on giving bond with approved security, to bear interest from the date, if not punctually paid. Five per cent. discount will be allowed for ready money, by the

EXECUTORS.

April 5, 1787.

Wants Employment,

As Tutor to a public or private School,

A YOUNG man that can be well recommended, understands to instruct youth in the English language grammatically, arithmetic, book-keeping, the rudiments of algebra and geometry, trigonometry plain and spherical, navigation, surveying, mensuration and dialling, &c. &c. A letter directed to A. B. to the care of Mrs. Elizabeth Bray, Stage-Office, Alexandria, with the encouragement which may be given, from either the public or private employment, will be attended to.

March 27, 1787.

RAN AWAY from the Subscriber, on the 13th ult. an apprentice lad, to the Taylor's business, about 11 years of age, named THOMAS CAMERON.—Whoever takes up said apprentice, and returns him to his master, shall have a reward of One Shilling.

WILLIAM JONES.

Alexandria, April 4, 1787.

THE Fisheries in Col. GEORGE W. FAIRFAX's neck, at the Racoon Branch, Pompey's Landing and Sandy Point, will be carried on this season by the subscribers, who have provided a quantity of hogsheads for striking fish, which any person by water, may have the use of for that purpose.

E. WASHINGTON, jun.
P. COULTER.

Fairfax County, March 30, 1787.

N. B. The above landings lie between Pohick and Dog Creeks.

THE Subscriber intending for Europe shortly, requests those to whom he is indebted to bring in their accounts.

JOHN CLARK.

Alexandria, April 5, 1787.

CASH

Given for clean Linen and Cotton

RAGS,

printed

At the Printing-Office.

Printing-

POETRY.

What is HAPPINESS?

By the late Doctor LADD.

'TIS an empty fleeting ſhade
By imagination made:
'Tis a buble, ſtraw or worſe;
'Tis a baby's hobby-horſe:
'Tis two hundred ſhillings * clear;
'Tis ten thouſand pounds a year;
'Tis a title, 'tis a name;
'Tis a puff of empty fame,
Fickle as the breezes blow,
'Tis a lady's YES or NO!
And when the deſcription's crown'd,
'Tis juſt NO WHERE to be found.

AROUET ſhews, I muſt confeſs,
Says DELIA, what is happineſs;
I wiſh he now would tell us what
This ſelf-ſame happineſs is NOT.

What happineſs is NOT? I vow
That DELIA you have pos'd me now—
What it is NOT—ſtay let me ſee—
I think dear maid 'tis NOT FOR ME.

* Anecdote—While Naſh was king of the ceremonies at Bath, a poor man was heard to ſay, that TEN POUNDS would make him completely happy; the benevolent monarch immediately advanced him the money, and entered this debit in his books, viz.

"To making a man happy 10l. os. od."

ROYAL GIFT,

And the

Knight of Malta,

Two valuable JACK ASSES,

WILL cover Mares and Jennies, at Mount Vernon, this ſpring, for Five Guineas the ſeaſon.——The firſt is of the moſt valuable race in the Kingdom of Spain; the other, lately imported from Malta by way of Paris, is not inferior.——The ROYAL GIFT (now five years old) has increaſed remarkably in ſize, ſince he covered laſt year; and not a Jenny, and ſcarcely a Mare to which he went, miſſed.——The KNIGHT of MALTA will be three years old this ſpring, is near 14 hands high, moſt beautifully formed for an aſs, and extremely light, active and ſprightly:—Comparatively ſpeaking he reſembles a fine courſer.

Theſe two JACKS ſeem as if deſigned for different purpoſes, equally valuable.—The firſt, by his weight and great ſtrength, to get mules for the ſlow and heavy draught. The other, by his activity and ſprightlineſs, for quicker movements on the road. The value of mules, on account of their longevity, ſtrength, hardineſs and cheap keeping, is too well known to need deſcription.

MAGNOLIA,

STANDS at the ſame place, for Four Pounds the ſeaſon: The money in every caſe, to be paid at the ſtable, before the Mares or Jennies are taken away; no account will be kept. Good paſturage, well enclоſed, will be provided at half a dollar per week, for the convenience of thoſe who incline to leave their mares, and every reaſonable care will be taken of them, but they will not be enſured againſt theft or accidents.

JOHN FAIRFAX, Overſeer.

Mount-Vernon, March 12, 1787.

William Ward,

BEGS leave to inform his friends and the public in general, that he has removed from the houſe on the hill to his new houſe on the wharf, every way accommodated for the entertainment of gentlemen and travellers. From his diſpoſition to pleaſe, he hopes for encouragement.

Alexandria, March 15, 1787.

THE ſhip UNION, Capt. GILES SULLIVAN, now lying in this port, will take in TOBACCO for L'ORIENT.—For terms apply to HOOE and HARRISON.

Alexandria, October 31, 1786. **

THE term of my commiſſion, as Town Sergeant of the Corporation, having expired laſt court, at which time I diſcharged my Clerk, Henry Low: Notice is hereby given, that I will not pay thimmy receipts heretofore given without notes, nor ſerve [illegible] without my ſpecial order.

MICHAEL GRETTER.

Alexandria, March 22, 1787.

On the firſt day of May next, will be exposed to public ſale, on the premiſes,

A VALUABLE LOT of GROUND in Alexandria, late the property of Sebaſtian Schiefs and conveyed over to us by him for the behoof of his creditors.——The lot is ſituated on Prince-ſtreet, adjoining Meſſrs. Hooe and Harriſon's, containing 23 feet 3 inches in front and 98 feet 6 inches in depth, on which is a large two-ſtory FRAMED HOUSE, with a kitchen, warehouſe and ſtable.—It is in fee-ſimple and will be ſold for ready-money.—At the ſame time will be ſold his ſtock of GOODS upon hand.

All perſons indebted to the ſaid Sebaſtian Schiefs, are requeſted to pay their reſpective accounts by the firſt of May next, to the Subſcribers, who are empowered to receive the ſame, otherwiſe ſuits will be commenced againſt all who fail to comply.—Thoſe having claims againſt him, are deſired to bring them in properly authenticated by the firſt of May, as none will be afterwards admitted.

At the ſame time will be ſold for ready-money, a two-ſtory FRAMED HOUSE, on King-ſtreet, ſubject to a ground-rent of twelve ſhillings per foot.—Undoubted titles will be made the purchaſers by

JOSEPH CARY,
WILLIAM WILSON,
PHILIP MARSTELLER, } Aſſignees.

Alexandria, March 1, 1787.

FORMERLY by advertiſement I requeſted all thoſe that were indebted to me to come and ſettle their accounts, but little regard was paid thereto.——I once more, and for the laſt time in this way, call upon every one that is indebted to me either by bond, bill, promiſſary note, open account, or otherwiſe to come and pay the ſame.—Likewiſe all thoſe that I owe, or may think I do owe them, to bring in their accounts that they may be adjuſted and paid by myſelf in my life-time—for I am determined to have my accounts ſettled (if poſſible) and that ſpeedily, as I intend once more to croſs the Atlantic. By this method I mean to prevent accounts being trumped up againſt my eſtate after I am gone, that probably would never have appeared had I been on the ſpot, or alive.—For in the courſe of thirty odd years that I have been in buſineſs too many accounts of this deſcription have I ſeen.—There is on hand about a thouſand pounds firſt coſt of choice GOODS, that may be had on good terms.—Alſo, TWO LOTS, one of them improved on and both have lately been fenced in.—Alſo ſome NEGROES that I will either ſell or hire.

JOHN MUIR.

Alexandria, Feb. 1, 1787.

N. B. I hereby forewarn all perſons from dealing with any of my ſervants in any manner whatever, except it be by my particular orders; as I ſhall deal with them as the law directs.

MRS. LOMAX informs the public and her cuſtomers in general, that ſhe intends to continue keeping a PUBLIC HOUSE, equally furniſhed as in her huſband's life-time, and hopes to merit a continuance of their favor, and engages nothing ſhall be wanting on her part to deſerve their cuſtom.

Alexandria, Feb. 15, 1787.

To be let on the tenth day of April next, being the ſecond day of Loudon Court, in the town of Leeſburg,

THE building of the GAOL for the ſaid County; it is meant to be a pretty conſiderable building, and as there will be ſomewhere about 100l. ready money to be paid to the undertaker, we expect it will be found to deſerve the attention of perſons at a diſtance.—A plan of the building is in the hands of Mr. John Littlejohn, in Leeſburg, for the inſpection of any perſon who may have thoughts of undertaking it. The old gaol which will afford a large part of the ſtone and ſome other materials for the new one, will be given to the undertaker.

LEVEN POWELL,
ISRAEL THOMPSON,
JAMES M'SHONY,
JOHN LITTLEJOHN, } Commiſſioners.

March 17, 1787.

TO BE SOLD,

Or Exchanged for GOODS,

BETWEEN 900 and 1000 acres of LAND, in Montgomery county, 25 miles from George-Town, and 20 miles from Frederick-Town; this land is divided into three parcels, on two of which are conſiderable improvements; the ſoil of the whole is particularly well adapted for wheat and Indian corn; if it is ſold, three years credit will be given for half the purchaſe money, the other half muſt be paid in all the preſent year.

BENJAMIN REEDER.

George-Town, March 20, 1787.

CASTLE-INN.

JOHN BROWN deſires to inform his friends and the public in general, that he has opened the above Inn for the reception of travellers, where they may rely on good attendance and accommodation.——He has alſo the Ferry where conſtant attendance will be given.

Colcheſter, Virginia, March 19, 1787.

☞ All perſons bringing tobacco, wheat or any kind of produce, or that purchaſes goods, may paſs the ferry free until the 1ſt of January next.

Silver Tail,

STANDS at the Subſcriber's near Mr. Adam's mill, on the road leading from Alexandria to George-Town, and will cover mares at Four Dollars the ſeaſon and one Quarter of a Dollar to the groom.—He is a beautiful iron gray, 15 hands high, 4 years old, and well formed.—As for a long pedigree it is uſeleſs, he was got by Ranger the old Arabian out of a Fearnaught mare that ſold for one hundred pounds ſpecie; ſhe was bred by Mr. Richard Speake, out of his mare Milly; ſhe was allowed to be as good a mare as any in the State of Maryland.—As the price of covering is ſo low the money will be expected with the mares.—I have paſturage under good fencing, but will not be anſwerable for eſcapes or accidents. CHARLES JONES.

March 20, 1787.

YOUNG SPOT,

WILL cover this ſeaſon at the Rocks, Berkeley County, four miles below Snickers's Gap; he is a thorough bred horſe, fifteen hands and one inch high, and complete in every reſpect, imported by Mr. Hyde of Fredericksburg.——The following pedigree will prove him to be as high bred as any horſe in England.—The original may be ſeen here, and runs in the following words—"The cheſnut horſe I ſold Mr. Hyde was bred as follows: He was got by Edmund Turner, Eſquire's, horſe Spot; Spot was got by the Duke of Ancaſter's horſe Blank, which covered at ten guineas a mare; Spot's dam was got by Mr. Martindale's old horſe Regulus, which won nine King's plates; the cheſnut horſe's dam was got by Jig, and Jig by the Duke of Bolton's Goliah, which here won nine King's plates; his grand-dam by Tom Jones, his great grand-dam by Young Grey Hound; Tom Jones was got by Old Partner, which horſe covered at ten guineas a mare; Tom Jones's dam was got by True Blue, his grand-dam by Cyprus, out of the Duke of Rutland's Bonny Black mare, which won Hambleton's guineas when thirty-ſix ſtarted.—This is a true pedigree. Witneſs my hand,

SAMUEL TROUT.

Elkington, Lincolnſhire, July 9, 1785."

Young Spot will cover at One Guinea the ſingle leap, or Two Guineas the ſeaſon, the money or produce to be paid before the mares are taken away.—Good paſturage ſhall be provided and all poſſible care taken of the mares, but I will not be anſwerable for any that may be ſtolen or go away.

JAMES WORMELEY.

March 12, 1787.

LYCURGUS,

WILL cover mares this ſeaſon at the Subſcriber's farm, on Holme's-Run, 4 miles from Alexandria, at three barrels of corn each. one barrel of which to be delivered before the mare is covered, the remainder on the firſt of January next, and in caſe of failure at that period, two guineas and the corn delivered forfeited.—LYCURGUS was got by the Old Arabian, his dam by Othello (ſon of Crab) his grand-dam by Morton's Traveller, his great grand-dam was the celebrated Selima; he is full brother to Magnolia.—He is a beautiful cheſnut, 15 hands high and elegantly formed.

WILLIAM BIRD.

Woodville, March 28, 1787.

EIGHT DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, on the 19th inſtant, an Iriſh ſervant man, named GEORGE MURRY, by trade a tinman and knows ſomething of the copperſmith's buſineſs, about 27 years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, ſhort black hair, down look, has a ſcar on his forehead and four or five on one thigh and arm with buck ſhot, which he got by being in a riot on Whitſun Monday laſt; he is very fond of ſtrong drink and when drunk very abuſive: His clothing unknown, as I have reaſon to believe he changed his dreſs.—Whoever takes up ſaid ſervant and ſecures him in any gaol, ſo that I may get him again, ſhall receive the above reward. THOMAS WILKINSON.

Alexandria, March 29, 1787.

THE Subſcriber takes this method to inform the public that he has removed his Hatter's ſhop, from King-ſtreet to the corner of Fairfax and Prince ſtreets, where he carries on the hatter's buſineſs in all its various branches, and is determined to pay the ſtricteſt attention to pleaſe thoſe that will favor him with their cuſtom. He will exchange hats for fur on very reaſonable terms.

MICHAEL REYNOLDS.

Alexandria, March 15, 1787.

N. B. I will take two apprentices immediately, if they come well recommended; boys of fourteen or fifteen years of age will anſwer beſt.

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